This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1.   **(Currently Amended)** A method for establishing a collaborative training session, comprising the steps of: .

    (a) receiving information indicative of a goal;

    (b) prompting a user to enter a response congruent with the goal;

    (c) receiving the response to the goal;

    (d) calculating a level of congruency ~~between the response and a target response designed~~ to achieve the goal <u>by</u>:

        <u>(d)(i) determining a first factor corresponding to an overall progress of the user in the collaborative training session;</u>

        <u>(d)(ii) determining a second factor corresponding a plurality of specified aspects of the response that includes a correctness measure of the response; and</u>

        <u>(d)(iii) combining the first factor and the second factor to obtain the level of congruency;</u> and

    (e) providing feedback to the user from a collaborative session reflecting the level of congruency to assist the user in achieving the goal.

2.   **(Original)** A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the method is executed on a plurality of servers that are coupled through a computer network.

3.   **(Original)** A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 2, wherein the computer network supports Internet Protocol (IP).

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4.   (Original) A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 2, wherein the computer network includes a Local Area Network (LAN).

5.   (Original) A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 2, wherein the computer network includes a Wide Area Network (WAN).

6.   (Original) A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the training session is presented using prerecorded multimedia.

7.   (Original) A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the training session is presented using real-time multimedia.

8.   (Original) A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the level of congruency is calculated by a virtual director engine.

9.   (Original) A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 8, wherein the virtual director engine is resident on a plurality of servers which are coupled through a computer network.

10.   (Currently Amended) An apparatus for establishing a collaborative training session, comprising:

        (a) logic that receives information indicative of a goal;

        (b) logic that prompts a user to enter a response congruent with the goal;

        (c) logic that receives the response to the goal;

        (d) logic that calculates a level of congruency ~~between the response and a target response designed~~ to achieve the goal by:

                (d)(i) logic that determines a first factor corresponding to an overall progress of the user in the collaborative training session:

                (d)(ii) logic that determines a second factor corresponding a plurality of specified aspects of the response that includes a correctness measure of the response; and

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(d)(iii) logic that combines the first factor and the second factor to obtain the level of congruency; and

(g) (e) logic that provides feedback to the user from a collaborative session reflecting the level of congruency to assist the user in achieving the goal.

11.   (Currently Amended) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session, comprising:

(a) a code segment that receives information indicative of a goal;

(b) a code segment that prompts a user to enter a response congruent with the goal;

(c) a code segment that receives the response to the goal;

(d) a code segment that calculates a level of congruency ~~between the response and a target response designed~~ to achieve the goal by:

(d)(i) a code segment that determines a first factor corresponding to an overall progress of the user in the collaborative training session;

(d)(ii) a code segment that determines a second factor corresponding a plurality of specified aspects of the response that includes a correctness measure of the response; and

(d)(iii) a code segment that combines the first factor and the second factor to obtain the level of congruency; and

(e) a code segment that provides feedback to the user from a collaborative session reflecting the level of congruency to assist the user in achieving the goal.

12.   (Original) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the computer program is resident on a plurality of servers which are coupled through a computer network.

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13.   (Original) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 12, wherein the computer network supports Internet Protocol (IP).

14.   (Original) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 12, wherein the computer network includes a Local Area Network (LAN).

15.   (Original) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 12, wherein the computer network includes a Wide Area Network (WAN).

16.   (Original) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the training session is presented using prerecorded multimedia.

17.   (Original) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the training session is presented using real-time multimedia.

18.   (Original) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the level of congruency is calculated by a virtual director engine.

19.   (Original) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 18, wherein the virtual director engine is resident on a plurality of servers that are coupled through a computer network.

20.   (New) The method of claim 1, wherein one of the plurality of specified aspects includes a delivery characteristic associated with the response from the user.